*287. [*The questioner (Shrimati Kanak Mukherjee) was absent. For answer*, vide *col.* 41-42 infra]

Export of steel to Dubai by the Delhi State Industrial Development Corporation

*288. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ:†
SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated the 7th September, 1985, to the effect that the Central Vigilance Commission had pulled up the Delhi State Industrial Development Corporation for a deal to export steel to Dubai which had resulted in a loss of several lakhs of rupees and had damaged the Corporation's credibility in the international export market; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) The Government is aware of such a news item.

(b According to Delhi Administration, the Central Vigilance Commission has advised to fix responsibility and to take appropriate action against the officers responsible for negligence which led to losses in two transactions. Further action is being taken by DSIDC/Delhi Administration in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs.

श्री रामचन्द्र भारद्वाज : मैं मान्यवर, माननीय मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहूंगा कि दिल्ली स्टेट इंडस्ट्रियल कारपोरेशन के कार्यक्षेत्र में क्या ट्रेडिंग भी आता है, क्या एक्सपोर्ट और इम्पोर्ट का काम भी दिल्ली इंडस्ट्रियल कारपोरेशन कर सकता है ?

श्री वसन्त साठे : नार्मली तो नहीं करना चाहिए दिल्ली कारपोरेशन को। जो धंधा अपना नहीं है वह नहीं करना चाहिए, वह करने जाओ तो गड़बड़ी होती है।

श्री रामचन्द्र भारद्वाज : मान्यवर, यह जो गड़बड़ी है तो इसकी शुरुआत ही गड़बड़ी से है, यह मैं कहना चाहता था। 15650 टन माइल्ड स्टील का एक आर्डर जो वहां मिला उसके बारे में कन्फ्यूजन पैदा किया गया और सप्लाई के लिये प्राइवेट फर्म को दिया गया। मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या उनका सेंट्रल विजिलेंस कमीशन की एनुअल रिपोर्ट, 84 की ओर गया है जिसमें यह लिखा है :

"A situation of total confusion leading to diffusion or responsibility was allowed to prevail with the result that during the investigation it was not possible to fix precise responsibility on the Corporation officials for the bungling at various stages".

तो कितने स्टेजेज हैं जिसमें इस तरह की बंगलिंग हुई, जिसमें फिक्स नहीं किया जा सका कि किसने कितनी बंगलिंग की है ?

श्री वसन्त साठे : कितनी स्टेजेज हैं यह तो बताना मेरे लिए संभव नहीं है क्योंकि आखिर जो निर्णय सेंट्रल विजिलेंस कमीशन ने दिया उसके ऊपर अब कार्यवाही हो रही है।

श्री रामचन्द्र भारद्वाज : यही तो साफ नहीं है कि क्या कार्यवाही हो रही है।

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, no question, Mr. Bhardwaj. Mr. Malik.

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the hon. Minister

†The question was actually asked on the Floor of the House by Shri Ramchandra Bharadwaj.

has just now stated in his reply to the question asked by Mr. Bharadwaj that DSIDC could not deal or could not export the steel to foreign countries independently. I would like to ask the Minister whether this was done with the permission of the Government or not. If not, did the Government go into question and asked the Delhi Administration or the Delhi State Industrial Development Corporation not to indulge in such deal in future. Second, Sir, I would like to ask the Minister when the Delhi State Industrial Development Corporation had sustained losses in the first transaction, why they pursued it again in exporting steel.

SHRI VASANT SATHE: Sir, as far as the Delhi State Industrial Development Corporation is concerned, in the articles of association it has the power to deal in export, import etc. I did not say that it did not have the authority. I say, it should not have done this business because that is not their usual business There is an impression that I have said that it did not have any inherent power. That was not so. It has the authority in its articles of association. But this is a job which they should not have done because that is not their normal business. Sir, as far as the first and the second stages and why it deal in that are concerned, the whole matter is over. It has been examined. The Vigilance Commission report is also there. And action is being contemplated.

*289. [*The questioner (Shri Bir Bhadra Pratap Singh) was absent. For answer,* vide *col.* 42 infra].

levy cement for states

*290. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total quantum of levy cement requested by different State Governments from the Central during the years 1984 and 1985; and

(b) what is the total quantity in tonnes of cement supplied by the Centre through Public Distribution System during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) The total allocations made to all States Union Territories during 1984 and 1985 are as under:—

(in lakh tonnes)

Year	Total allocation to the States including allocation for Drinking Water Supply Programmes but excluding Irrigation & Power
1984 . . .	85·06
1985 (Jan.-Sept.) .	67·49

(b) The public distribution System is decided by the States/Union Territories through their concerned Departments and the quantum of cement to be distributed to eligible individuals/societies is decided by the States/Union Territories.

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Is there a proposal to increase the cement quantity to be distributed through the public distribution system further?

SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH: Not at the present moment.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Second supplementary?

SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: No.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Nothing.

*291. [*The questioner (Shri Kailash Rati Mishra) was absent. For answer* vide *col.* 42-43 infra].